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GOVERNOR DAVIS ANNOUNCES \$5 MILLION IN GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR CESAR CHAVEZ DAY 10/04/2001

SACRAMENTO

Governor Gray Davis today announced that funding for \$5 million in grants for Cesar Chavez Day service events is available.

"Last year, I was proud to sign legislation that established the Cesar Chavez Day of Service and Learning, in honor of Cesar Chavez, who fought tirelessly for social change," Governor Davis said. "During last year's celebration, more than 320,000 students participated in more than 300 service events throughout the state. I am hoping for more events this year that promote service and volunteerism. Service should be a way of life - not just an occasional act of charity."

The legislation provided \$5 million in grants for conservation corps and other community-based organizations to create service events involving California's K-12 students.

The grant program is administered through the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism (GO SERV). Any eligible organizations interested in developing and implementing meaningful service activities that will engage K-12 students should submit proposals to GO SERV by no later than 5:00 p.m., November 16, 2001.

This year's official Cesar Chavez Day will be held on April 1, 2002. For more information, visit GO SERV's Web site at www.chavezday.ca.gov or call (916) 323-7646.

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